IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HOUSE PROCLAMATION NO. 1

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A PROCLAMATION

COMMENDING JAMES WILLIAMS FOR HIS ACCOMPLISHMENT AT THE AMERICAN FARM BUREAU FEDERATION'S YOUNG FARMER AND RANCHER DISCUSSION MEET COMPETITION.

We, the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State of Idaho assembled in the First Regular Session of the Sixtieth Idaho Legislature, do hereby proclaim:

WHEREAS, James Williams, a farmer and educator from Ucon, won the Idaho Farm Bureau Discussion Meet in December 2008, qualifying him for the American Farm Bureau Federation's Young Farmer and Rancher Discussion Meet competition in San Antonio, Texas; and

WHEREAS, James Williams attended the American Farm Bureau Federation's Young Farmer and Rancher competition in San Antonio, Texas, where he competed among young farmers from around the United States by demonstrating superior knowledge of and achievement in agriculture, as well as commitment to promoting the agriculture industry; and

WHEREAS, James Williams participated in the national Young Farmer and Rancher Discussion Meet that simulates a committee meeting in which active discussion and participation are expected and participants are evaluated on their ability to exchange ideas and information on predetermined topics; and

WHEREAS, James Williams won the Young Farmer and Rancher Discussion Meet by finishing in first place among a field of his peers from every Farm Bureau in the United States; and

WHEREAS, James Williams is a positive role model for all young farmers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate assembled in the First Regular Session of the Sixtieth Idaho Legislature, that we recognize and congratulate James Williams for his superior and award winning performances in the Idaho Farm Bureau Discussion Meet, as well as in the Young Farmer and Rancher Discussion Meet at the American Farm Bureau Federation's national competition and for the pride he brings to the young farmers and ranchers of Idaho and the United States.